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CONTINGENT PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If for any reason the concurrently submitted application submitted because of the ANTRAX processing were to be deemed inadequate, then this document can be treated as a contingent Petition for Extension of Time for complying with the Formalities Letter of January 16, 2002. If such Petition were to require a fee, then This Contingent Petition would include the contingent authorization to pay such fee [possibly of the magnitude of \$55.00] from counsel's Deposit Account 05-1224.

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